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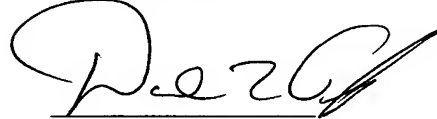
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Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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		JP-3354705-B2	09-27-2002	Matsuda et al.	Claim 3; all drawings	Yes
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